Explanations of Officers re Appointments made.

148. **MR. P. HABEEB MAHOMED** (*Nominated*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether the officers concerned have submitted their explanations called for in their Order R. Dis. No. 458/25/G. A., dated the 27th April, 1925?

(*b*) If so, will the Government be pleased to place on the table a copy of the same?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*)
(*a*) Explanations are coming in.
(*b*) The answer is in the negative.

Action taken on the conduct of Heads of Departments in respect of Appointments made by them.

149. **MR. N. KUMARAN** (*Nominated*): (*a*) Have Government called for and obtained explanations from Heads of Departments who have meted out unequal treatment to applicants for appointments from members of different communities, as was promised by the Chief Secretary to Government in his speech in the Council reported at page 1050, Vol. VI, of the *Proceedings*?

(*b*) If the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, will the Government be pleased to place copies of them on the table and tell the House what action they have taken on them?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*):
(*a*) Explanations are coming in.
(*b*) The answer is in the negative.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): The answer to part (*a*) is: "Explanations are coming in". I do not quite understand the meaning of this answer. Am I to take it that Government are receiving explanations, that is, that they have not finished receiving explanations, and that therefore they have not begun to consider the question?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): No; they have not considered the whole question.

The Trivandrum Pier.

150. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry, South*): Will the Government be pleased to state in what stage the work in connection with the erection of sheds for the storage of cargo at the Trivandrum pier is and when it will be completed?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The materials required have been arranged for and good progress has been made in the manufacture of roof trusses. The work is being expedited.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): With reference to the answer given, may I know when the work was commenced?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): What is stated is that the materials required have been arranged for.

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